Statement

Name of the District		Area
Barmer	-	The areas falling within the jurisdiction of the following Police Stations, namely:— (1) Cadra Road (2) Ramsar (3) Binjard (4) Sedwa (5) Bakhasar (6) Girab (7) Chohtan
Jaisalmer	-	The areas falling within the jurisdiction of the following Police Stations, namely:— (1) Nachna (2) Mohangarh (3) Ramgarh (4) Sam (5) Jhinjhinyali (6) Shahgarh (7) Nokh (8) Khudi
Bikaner	-	The areas falling within the jurisdiction of the following Police Stations, namely:— (1) Bajju (2) Pugal (3) Chattargarh (4) Khajuwala
Jalore	-	The areas falling within the jurisdiction of the following Police Stations, namely:— (1) Sanchore (2) Chitalwana (3) Sarwana

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO UNSTARRED QUESTIONS

Branch Post Offices in the Rural Areas of Rajasthan and Orissa

1965. SHRI RAMDAS AGARWAL: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have opened any branch post offices in the rural areas of Rajasthan and Orissa;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;

(c) whether any targets have been fixed in this regard during 1996-97 in respect of above States;

(d) if so, the details thereof, State-wise; and

(e) the steps taken so far by Government to provide all essential postal facilities to rural population of Rajasthan and Orissa?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI BENI PRASAD VERMA): (a) and (b) 12 Extra Departmental Branch Post Offices in the rural areas of Rajasthan and 6 in the rural areas of Orissa have been sanctioned during the year 1996-97 till date as given in the enclosed statement (*See* below). These are yet to be opened.

(c) and (d) Targets for opening of 5 Extra Deparmental Branch Post Offices in Rajasthan and 4 in Orissa during the year 1996-97 were fixed.

(e) At present there are 7476 and 9485 Post Offices in rural areas of Orissa and Rajasthan respectively which provide all essential counter services like sale of stamps, booking of Regd. articles, money orders, savings Bank, sale of Indian Postal Orders etc. besides daily delivery and clearance of mails. 10 & 15 Panchayat Sanchar Sewa Kendras have been proposed to be opened during the year 1996-97 in the Gram Panchayat Villages of Orissa and Rajasthan respectively where Post Offices do not exist. These Kendras provide basic Postal services like sale of stamps, booking of Regd. articles (except VP and Insured) operation of Mahila Samridhi Yojna Scheme besides daily delivery and clearance of mails where feasible.

Statement

Post Offices sanctioned in rural areas of Rajasthan & Orissa during 1996-97 till date

Name of Post Office	District
RAJASTHAN	
1. Khinwaj	Nagaur
2. Manak Theri	Sriganganagar
3. Jankidaswala	Sriganganagar
4. Modiawat	Nagaur
5. Gindri Patta Lohsana	Churu
6. Siyasar Panchkosa	Bikaner
7. Jogiwara	Dungarpur
8. Dharampura	Jaipur
9. Undarda	Dungarpur
10. Bari Chhapri	Nagpur
11. Narayan Khera	Bhilwara
12. Ummedgarhi	Banswara
ORISSA	
1. Fa':irpura	Cuttack
2. Balganipel	Keonjhar
3. Malagurda	Kalahandi
4. Khalgaon	Jagatsinghpur
5. Tulsokoni	Sundargarh
6. Morabai	Gunjam